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The Security Situation in Uruguay  
(Situation Report Number 34)

1. No new information has been received that would change the basic conclusion reached in Special National Intelligence Estimate 98-67, SECURITY CONDITIONS IN URUGUAY, 23 March 1967, and those additional judgments set forth in paragraph 1 of our 10 April supplement to Situation Report number 33.

2. As the presidents start to arrive, security is beginning to tighten up.

although incidents remain possible, Uruguayan security procedures have been improved and the situation will be running smoothly when President Johnson arrives. Although unauthorized persons were permitted in the airport when several Central American chiefs of state arrived on 9 April, control was much tighter when Paraguayan President Alfredo Stroessner arrived on 10 April. Many presidents will go to Punta del Este by air because of the impossibility of guaranteeing security on the road from Montevideo. Three-pronged devices known as "grapas" were found on the road on 10 April and caused a number of flat tires, although municipal workers were later sent out in force to sweep them up. Road checkpoints are not yet working smoothly.

3. The Communist-sponsored youth march from Montevideo to the Maldonado area near Punta del Este is continuing peacefully, with some 50 to 80 people now in the group. Labor unions continue to show

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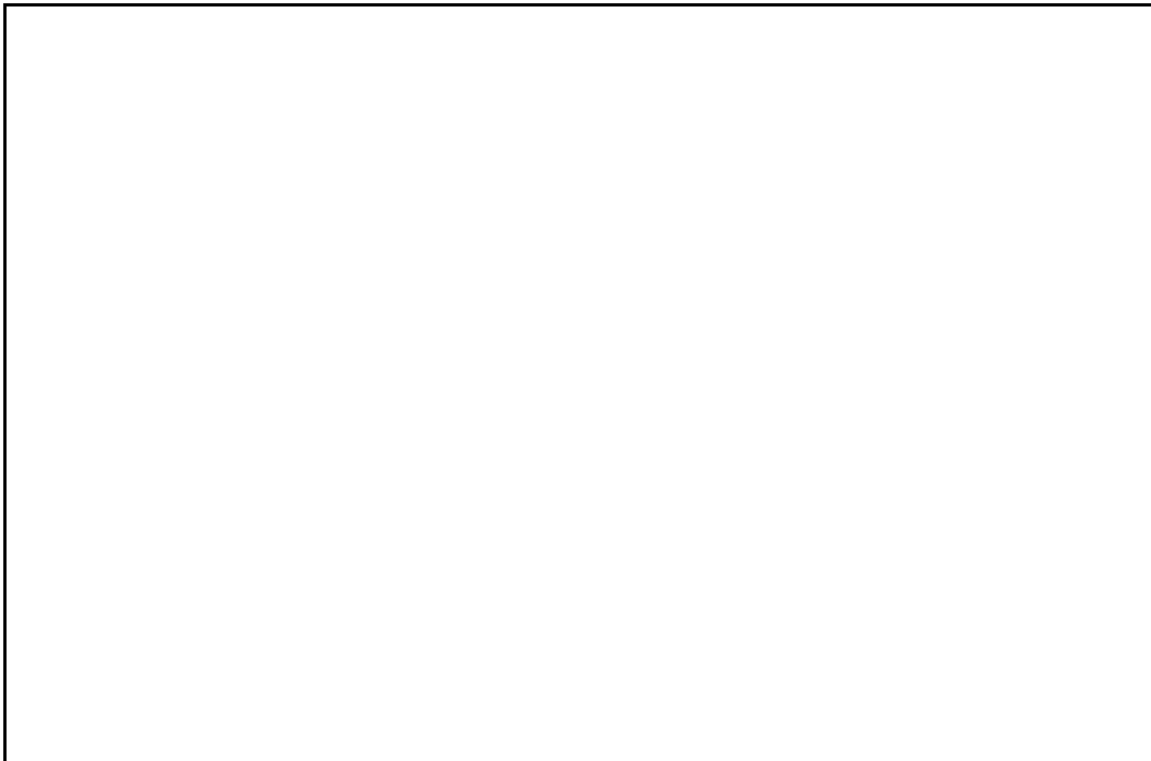
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dwindling enthusiasm for an antisummit strike on 12 April, but some individual unions probably will go ahead with their strike plans anyway.

4. Another student demonstration took place in Montevideo at noon on 10 April. Posters, pictures, and tires were burned, and tear gas was used before the crowd could be dispelled. At least one policeman was injured. During the evening, 400 students began to gather in downtown Montevideo but were quickly dispersed by effective police action.

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